Power Up Your Energy Business in Northwest Ohio.
Powering Up the Energy Industry in Northwest Ohio

For companies that use, produce or support the energy industry, Northwest Ohio is your place for business. In the 17-county region, Northwest Ohio produces every type of energy including coal, nuclear, petroleum, natural gas, biofuels, solar and wind.

The region features three major refineries within 85 miles of each other and a direct pipeline to Texas. Throughout Ohio, the industry spans the complete oil and gas supply chain, from drilling to production. Consistent, high demand for energy producers and material suppliers is fueled by the polymer, chemical and manufacturing strength in the state. Industry, academia and workforce organizations collaborate to establish targeted training programs that support and grow the state’s qualified labor force. Ohio’s breadth of expertise positions it as the premier state for growth in energy-related business.

Since 2010, Northwest Ohio’s energy industry has invested more than $3 billion into operations, producing hundreds of direct and indirect jobs. That investment includes Marathon Petroleum’s decision to maintain its corporate headquarters in Findlay. The company, ranked 25th in the Fortune 500, recently invested $80 million and created 150 new jobs.

The Regional Growth Partnership is a private economic development organization serving 20 counties in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan. In collaboration with JobsOhio, a statewide corporation leading Ohio’s job-creation efforts, we work aggressively to meet the site selection needs of companies and consultants. Contact us to learn how we can help power up your energy business.

Regional Assets

Infrastructure
Northwest Ohio offers every mode of transportation and distribution, providing a portfolio of options related to inbound raw materials and outbound finished products. This risk mitigation saves valuable time and reduces costs for companies in moving their product. Northwest Ohio has a heavy pipeline infrastructure, carrying gas and petroleum to the East Coast, West Coast, Gulf Coast and Canada. Companies can also take advantage of the Toledo seaport, CSX and Norfolk Southern rail lines, and the most extensive highway system in the country.

Geography
Located within a day’s drive of nearly half the U.S. and Canadian industrial markets (100 million people), the Northwest Ohio region is ideally situated for energy businesses to reach customers and suppliers. With such a large concentration of people and a resurgence in manufacturing, energy use is growing in this region. Northwest Ohio is also situated near the Marcellus and Utica shale plays.

Workforce
A highly skilled, trained and educated workforce separates this region from many other markets. With reliability being a key workforce issue for this industry, Northwest Ohio has a proven track record of delivering projects safely and on time. The region is also located near some of the top collegiate engineering programs around, producing ready-to-work talent.

Water
The Toledo/Northwest Ohio region offers an abundance of a vital natural resource in the energy industry – water. Bounded by Lake Erie, which is part of the Great Lakes, and the Maumee River, this region provides the world’s largest supply of fresh water.

Community Partnerships
Existing energy businesses rave about the community support they receive throughout Northwest Ohio. For example, regulatory meetings and public hearings often attract large community crowds to show and voice their support. Not every region lobbies to bring in power plants, refineries or nuclear facilities, but in Northwest Ohio, towns and neighborhoods welcome the opportunity to meet the corporate needs of this industry.

Major companies in the energy business and supply industry located in Northwest Ohio:

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